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Applicants: Rosen, et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2002. No Extension of Time is believed to be required for the filing of this Amendment. However, Applicant Petitions for any Extension of Time found to be necessary for the filing of this response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 13-2755 for the Petition fee and any other fee(s) required to effect this Petition.

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